



# MARCH 2023 PROGRAMS

All Programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Wheelchair accessible. Please follow all current COVID guidelines; visit [Mass.gov/COVID](https://www.mass.gov/COVID) for more guidance. For more information call (413) 863-3221.

<b>VISITOR CENTER</b>	<b>OPEN 6 days a week:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.</b></li><li>• <b>Wednesdays—Sundays, 10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.</b></li></ul> Explore the natural, cultural and industrial history of the Connecticut River Watershed with our dynamic exhibit dioramas. Adjacent to the Canalside Rail Trail, the center also includes the Great Hall exhibit gallery, restrooms, and drinking water. Wheelchair accessible. Located at 2 Avenue A in Turners Falls.
<b>ONGOING 2/5—3/18</b>	<b>GREAT HALL EXHIBIT:</b> <b>CROSSROADS: CHANGE IN RURAL AMERICA</b> Through a partnership with the world’s largest museum complex, the Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center proudly host <i>Crossroads: Changes in Rural America</i> , a traveling exhibit produced by the Smithsonian Institution’s Museum on Main Street program in partnership with Mass Humanities. The exhibit offers small towns a chance to look at their own paths to highlight the changes that affected their fortunes over the past century. Includes local exhibits on Franklin County and related programming throughout the county. <b>For more detailed descriptions of Crossroads programming see:</b> <a href="https://greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org/crossroads">greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org/crossroads</a> . <small>The exhibition is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and State Humanities Councils nationwide. Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress. <i>Crossroads: Change in Rural America</i> has been made possible in Turners Falls, MA at the Great Falls Discovery Center by Mass Humanities, Big Y, Greenfield Savings Bank and Blue Cross Blue Shield. Local sponsors include the Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center, DCR, Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, RiverCulture, Montague Public Libraries, and New England Public Media.</small>
<b>FRIDAYS, MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24 &amp; 31</b>	<b>NICE AND EASY WALKS: CROSSROADS EDITION</b> <b>1:00—2:00 p.m., Main Entrance</b> An easy-paced, 1 to 2-mile guided walk, along the Canalside Rail Trail or downtown Turners Falls, geared for seniors, but open to all ages. Join others seeking fresh air and exercise. A DCR Park Interpreter highlights local history, weaving in topics from the <i>Crossroads: Change in Rural America</i> exhibit through March 17. Wear appropriate clothing for the weather and sturdy boots.
<b>SATURDAY, MARCH 4</b>	<b>NEPM PRESENTS A CROSSROADS EVENT — NATIVE MEMORIES: RECOVERING POCUMTUCK HISTORIES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY</b> <b>4:00—6:00 p.m., Shea Theater, 71 Avenue A</b> New England Public Media presents with the Nolumbeka Project, a talk with Dr. Margaret M. Bruchac (Nulhegan Abenaki), Assoc. Professor of Anthropology, University of Pennsylvania.

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**Great Falls Discovery Center**, Connecticut River Greenway State Park  
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SUNDAY, MARCH 12	<b>CROSSROADS — DEEPENING THE POWER OF PLACE: EXPLORING OUR CULTURAL CROSSROADS THROUGH STORY, SONG &amp; SPOKEN WORD, 3:00—5:00 p.m.,</b> Shea Theater, 71 Avenue A Erica Wheeler’s keynote concert blends stories and songs gleaned from research and first-hand knowledge of Franklin County, tying together Crossroads programming. Andre Strong-BearHeart Gaines, Jr. and friends present spoken word poetry, offering a Nipmuc Tribe perspective on place.
SATURDAY, MARCH 25	<b>CROSSROADS RECEPTION — LIFE IS_____:</b> <b>AN EXPLORATION OF BEING THROUGH THE EYES OF LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE</b> <b>1:00—3:00 p.m.,</b> Great Hall Join Brick House youth for an artist reception for their work that explores their perspectives and experiences living in modern-day rural America.
SATURDAY, MARCH 25	<b>ALL COOPED UP! MUSIC CONCERT</b> <b>7:00—9:00 p.m.,</b> Great Hall The Franklin County Musicians Cooperative (COOP) features solo artists, established duos, and small group performers who perform an unpredictable mix of folk, rock, country, Celtic, jazz and swing. Suggested donations.
ONGOING 2/5—3/18	<b>CROSSROADS: CHANGING STOREFRONTS</b> <b>Downtown Turners Falls, Avenue A and 3rd Street</b> See the village’s ever changing downtown through reproduced images from the Montague Historical Society Archive on display in storefront windows of restaurants and retail stores.
ONGOING 2/5—3/18	<b>CROSSROADS: WHOSE VIEWPOINT?</b> <b>HISTORIC FRANKLIN COUNTY IMAGES</b> <b>Discovery Center Hallway Gallery</b> The Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association (PVMA) presents reproductions of historic maps, illustrations, photographs, and paintings exploring perspectives of the image makers.
ONGOING 2/5—3/18	<b>CROSSROADS EXHIBIT:</b> <b>MONTAGUE AT WORK AND PLAY</b> <b>The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., Turners Falls</b> Digital illustrations of daily life by local artist Nina Rossi, from the <i>Montague Reporter</i> .
ONGOING 3/25—4/26	<b>CROSSROADS EXHIBIT— LIFE IS_____:</b> <b>AN EXPLORATION OF BEING THROUGH THE EYES OF LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE</b> Created and curated by local Brick House youth, this exhibit, through a variety of mediums, explores their perspectives and experiences living in modern-day rural America. In the Great Hall. Inspired by <i>Crossroads: Change in Rural America</i> .

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